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CENTRAL LIBRARY ANNOUNCES THE WINTER/SPRING 2015 CONCERT SERIES SCHEDULE

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Central Library @ Joan Λ Irwin Jacob Common is pleased to announce the schedule for the Winter/Spring 2015 Concert Series. The upcoming season will include music that spans hundreds of years of music history, highlights multiple genres, and features ensembles and soloists from the East and West coasts.

The Series will begin with local favorites Hot Pstromi featuring Yale Strom, the artist-in-residence in the Jewish Studies Program at San Diego State University (SDSU). His ensemble will highlight eastern European music and will include stories and history behind the works. This family-friendly program will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2015 at 2:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the San Diego Central Library.

The Winter/Spring Series will also include the return of the Neave Trio, currently the Fisch/Axelrod Trio-in-Residence at SDSU, on March 22. Clarinetist Philip Lipton will make his Central Library debut, featuring works by jazz and classical composers as well as his original works on February 8, as will pianist Alexander Wasserman, whose program will feature Liszt's Piano Sonata in B minor on March 8. Chamber music lovers won't want to miss ensemble performances by the Mirabell Chamber Players on February 15 and Quartet Nouveau on April 19. The Series will conclude with the return of Courtly Noyse, specialists in Medieval and Renaissance music who perform on period instruments, on May 24. Please see the schedule below for more details on the Winter/Spring season.

The Library began its Chamber Music Series in the mid-1950s. Critical and popular response encouraged the Library to increase the scope of the series into its present status of a Fall Concert Series and a Winter/Spring Concert Series. These series are made possible by the Friends of the Central Library, the San Diego Public Library matching fund program, and public and private donations. The concerts are very important to musicians because they provide a venue for them to perform locally. The community has responded enthusiastically as well, as shown by steadily growing attendance by musicians, music lovers, music appreciation students and San Diego residents.

2015 Winter/Spring Concert Series Schedule

All concerts are held on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. in the Central Library Auditorium (Programs and artists are subject to change)

January 25 Hot Pstromi: With a Dash of Horseradish on the Side

Yale Strom (violin), Jeff Pekarek (contrabass), Fred Benedetti (guitar), Tripp Sprague (tenor sax), Elizabeth Schwartz (vocals)

Songs and stories from Eastern Europe. A family event!

February 8 **Philip Lipton, Clarinet**

Performing works by Benny Goodman, Antonio Lauro, Paquito D'Rivera, Kenji Bunch, and Philip Lipton

February 15 The Mirabell Chamber Players

Julie Ayer (violin), Martha Lippi (cello), Karen Follingstad (piano)

Featuring works by Beethoven, Piazzolla, and Clara Schumann

March 8 **Alexander Wasserman, Piano**

Featuring Liszt's Piano Sonata in B minor

March 22 **The Neave Trio**

Anna Williams (violin), Mikhail Veselov (cello), and Toni James (piano)

April 19 **Quartet Nouveau**

Kimberly Hain (violin), Batya MacAdam-Somer (violin), Annabelle Terbetski (viola), Elizabeth Brown (cello)

Beethoven's String Quartet No. 15, Op. 132, Copland's Two Pieces for String Quartet

May 24 Courtly Noyse

John Cassaboom, Laury Flora, Penny Hawkins, Vickie Jenkins, Jay Sacks, Sandra Stram

Medieval and Renaissance music on period instruments

All programs are FREE and open to the public. Concert Series programs are approximately one hour long with no intermission and are held at 2:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Central Library, 330 Park Blvd., downtown in East Village, San Diego. For more information, call Central Library's Art, Music and Recreation Section at 619-236-5800 or visit the Library's website at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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